

**A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP COUNCIL OF NORTH BRUNSWICK
AUTHORIZING A PROFESSIONAL SERVICE AGREEMENT WITH
HARRY HAUSHALTER, ESQ. TO SERVE AS
TAX APPEAL COUNSEL**

WHEREAS, the Township of North Brunswick has a need to acquire professional services for Tax Appeal Counsel for 2016; and

WHEREAS, on October 5, 2015, the Township Council approved resolution 267-10.15 authorizing the issuance of Requests for Proposals for said professional services; and

WHEREAS, services were procured in formal manner under N.J.S.A. 40A:11-4.1a et under both a fair and open and competitive process to assure that each person and/or firm is provided an equal opportunity to submit a proposal; and

WHEREAS, the Purchasing Agent received, and the Deputy Municipal Clerk witnessed, the receipt of three proposals for said professional services on November 13, 2015; and

WHEREAS, the Evaluation Committee, designated to review proposals and make a recommendation, has completed the review process and included herein an Evaluation Report detailing their review and recommendation; and

WHEREAS, the Evaluation Committee recommends the award of contract PRO16012 to Harry Haushalter, Esq. (Lexington Square Commons, 2119 Route 33, Suite A, Hamilton Square, NJ 08690) to serve as Tax Appeal Counsel for calendar year 2016; and

WHEREAS, Township Attorney Ronald Gordon has reviewed the proposals submitted and determined the proposal submitted by Harry Haushalter, Esq. to be responsive under the provisions of the Local Public Contracts Law (N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq.) and any provisions of the revised statutes of the State of New Jersey; and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interest of the Township of North Brunswick to enter into an agreement with Harry Haushalter, Esq. to serve as of Tax Appeal Counsel for calendar year 2016; and

WHEREAS, Harry Haushalter, Esq. shall be compensated for these services at a blended hourly rate of \$120.00 for partners and associates, a blended hourly rate of \$75.00 for law clerks and paralegals, and reimbursable expenses in an amount not to exceed \$60,000.00; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer has certified that \$40,000.00 is available for this purpose in account 6-01-20-150-000-181 for services ending June 30, 2016 and the balance of funds shall be certified upon the appropriation of funds in FY2017.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED on this 1st day of January, 2016, that the Township Council of the Township of North Brunswick does hereby authorize the Mayor to execute and the Township Clerk to witness an agreement with Harry Haushalter, Esq. to serve as Tax Appeal Counsel for calendar year 2016.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED notice of this action shall be published in the Home News & Tribune as required by law within 10 (ten) days after its passage.

CERTIFICATION

I, Kala Sriranganathan, Chief Financial Officer, hereby certify that \$40,000.00 is available for this purpose in account 6-01-20-150-000-181 for services ending June 30, 2016 and the balance of funds shall be certified upon the appropriation of funds in FY2017. Contract PRO16012



Kala Sriranganathan
Chief Financial Officer